



Befriending Coordinator - South (Job Share)

Temporary to April 2026, but renewable, subject to funding.

**15 hours per
week**

**£9,7534 for 15
hours per week
(£12.48 per hour)**

Pay award pending

Based at Derby Head Office

**We would consider a secondment from a suitable organisation for this post (e.g., a member of the Derbyshire Befriending Network). Please contact us for further information.*

Sight Support Derbyshire runs a successful befriending service for visually impaired people in Derbyshire. The service aims to relieve social isolation and improve the wellbeing of people by linking them with a volunteer befriender who will visit them (or link with them by phone/online). We are looking for a part time Project Coordinator with passion, drive and enthusiasm to help lead this important service and take the work forward.

The Coordinator will work alongside their counterpart in the North of Derbyshire and with our Volunteer Coordinator to find suitable volunteers to link up with our visually impaired service users. You will do a home assessment, make the introduction, and then provide support to both parties as the befriending relationship develops. You will reap the rewards of seeing what a positive impact befriending can have on the service user and the volunteer – real job satisfaction!

Part of the operational team based in Derby and reporting to the Operational Services Manager, you will need to be a 'self-starter' and able to work on your own initiative to ensure that services run smoothly and deliver the required outcomes.

At a time of big changes in both voluntary and statutory services, we need people who can be flexible, adapt to change and bring a positive attitude to their work.

It is essential that you are a real 'people person' and can show compassion and understanding alongside a common sense approach to your work. Whilst it is desirable that you have experience in working with visually impaired people, it is not essential, as full training will be provided.

You will need access to a vehicle for work purposes and be able and willing to travel around the county. (Expenses will be paid in line with our policy.)

This post is subject to an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check.

For an informal discussion call Rachel Graham, Operational Services Manager, on 01332 292262

For an application pack, see our website:

<https://sightsupportderbyshire.org.uk/about-us/work-for-us/>

Or email: heather.davidson@sightsupportderbyshire.org.uk

Closing date for applications: 12 noon, Wednesday 26th March 2025

Interview date: Thursday 3rd April 2025

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